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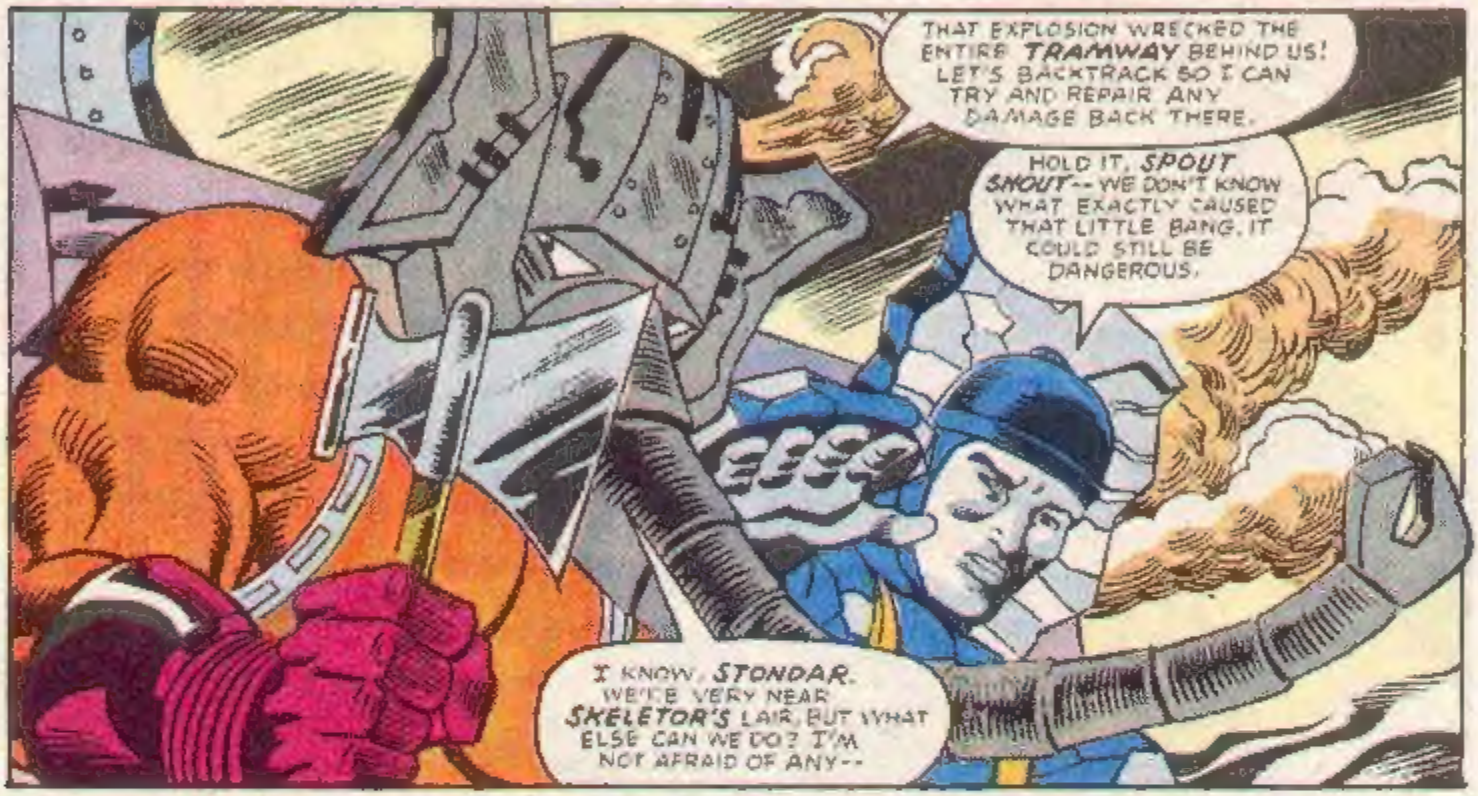
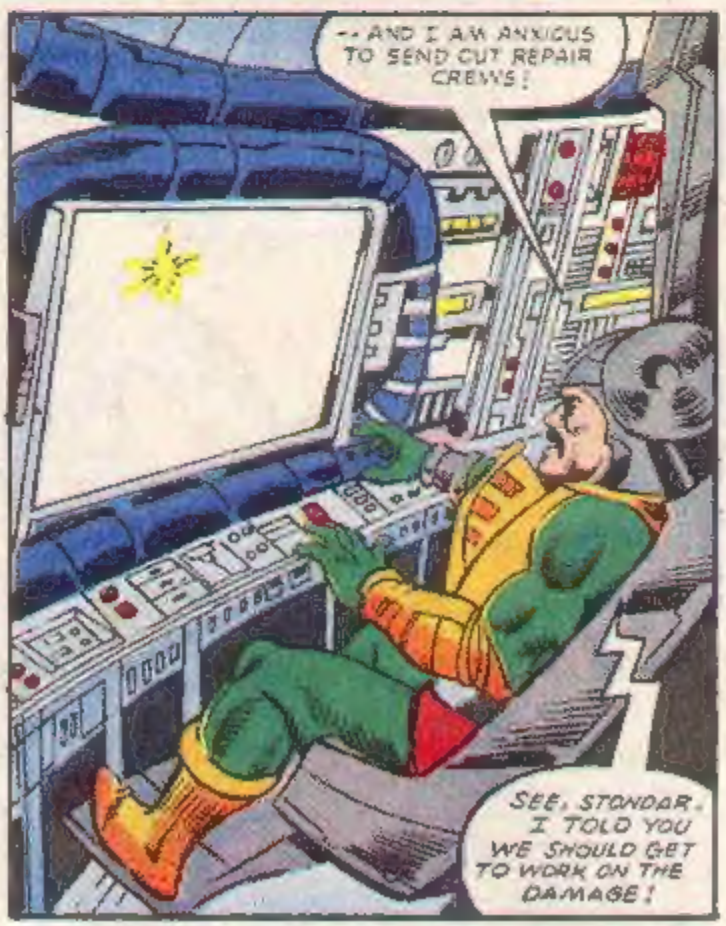
I KNOW YOU'RE NOT AFRAID, BUT THERE ARE PRO-CEDURES WE MUST FOLLOW.
BESIDES, THIS SKYWAY IS ONE OF MAN-AT-ARMS' LATEST CREATIONS... WE AREN'T FAMILIAR ENOUGH WITH ITS DESIGN TO HELP WITH THIS SITUATION MUCH.
OH, ALL RIGHT... LET'S HEAD BACK TO HOME BASE THEN, AND CHECK WITH MAN-AT-ARMS HIM-SELF.

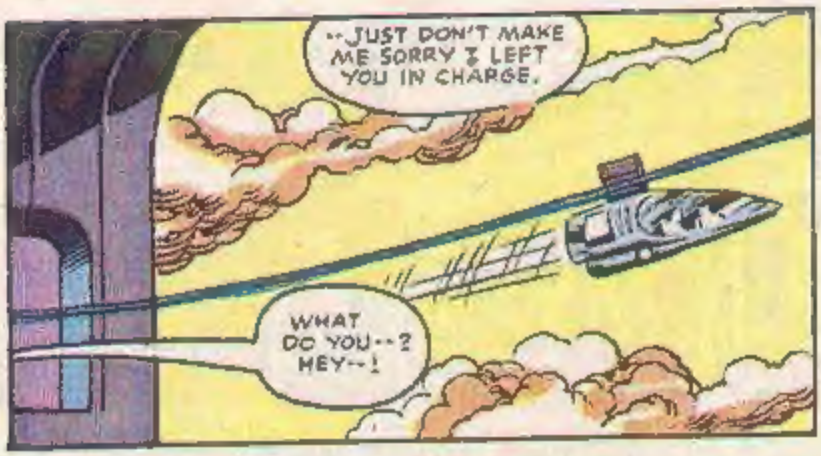

THAT EXPLOSION WRECKED THE ENTIRE TRAMWAY BEHIND US! LET'S BACKTRACK SO I CAN TRY AND REPAIR ANY DAMAGE BACK THERE.
HOLD IT, SPOUT SHOUT-- WE DON'T KNOW WHAT EXACTLY CAUSED THAT LITTLE BANG. IT COULD STILL BE DANGEROUS.
I KNOW, STONDAR. WE'RE VERY NEAR SKELETOR'S LAIR, BUT WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO? I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANY--

ATTENTION, HOMEBASE. SKYCAR 1 RETURNING WITH DAMAGE REPORT.
GOOD MY INSTRUMENTS REGISTERED THE DISTURBANCE.

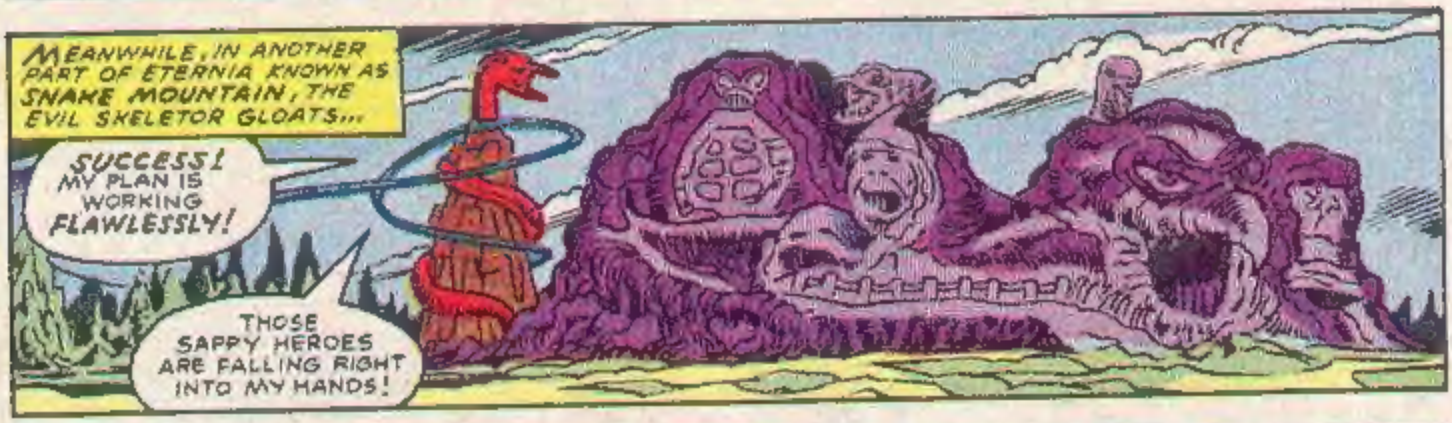

-- AND I AM ANXIOUS TO SEND OUT REPAIR CREWS!
SEE, STONDAR. I TOLD YOU WE SHOULD GET TO WORK ON THE DAMAGE!

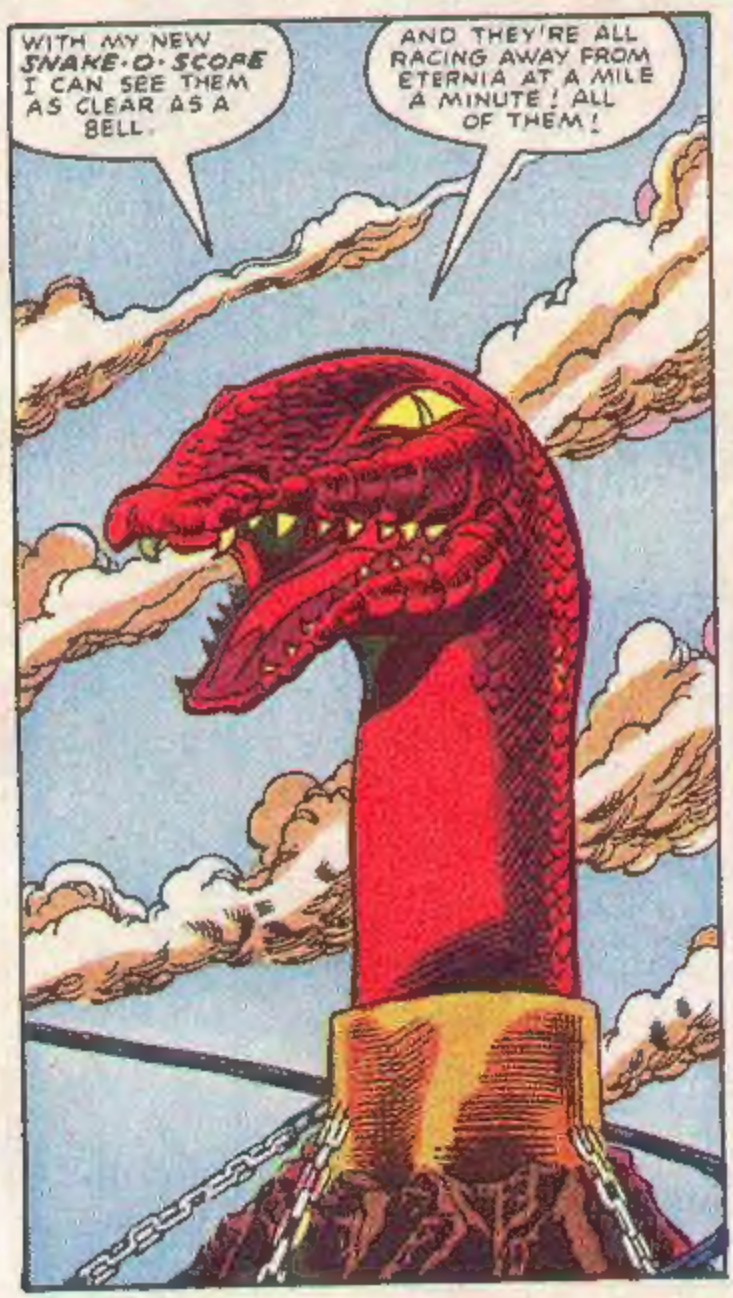
MAN-AT-ARMS--THE TRAMWAY JUST BLEW UP... OUTTA NOWHERE, IT JUST BLEW! WE WERE ALMOST HIT!
WE WERE NEAR SKELETOR'S HIDEOUT--AND IF YOU ASK ME--
SETTLE DOWN, ROKKON. WE CAN INVESTIGATE THE CAUSE OF THE EXPLOSIONS LATER--RIGHT NOW WE GOTTA GET OUT THERE AND DO SOME FANCY FIXIN' UP!!
THAT'S WHAT I SAID WE SHOULD DO!
NO, SNOUT SPOUT... IT'S GOOD YOU ALL CAME BACK-- SINCE I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO REALLY KNOWS THIS NEW TRAMWAY, I WILL HAVE TO SUPERVISE THE REPAIRS.
I STILL SAY SKELETOR'S BEHIND THIS AND WE SHOULD--
PLEASE, ROKKON, YOUR ENTHUSIASM IS GREAT--BUT WE ARE VISITORS FROM ANOTHER WORLD WHO ARE MERELY STAYING HERE FOR A WHILE. MAN-AT-ARMS IS IN CHARGE HERE AND HE KNOWS BEST!
GEE WHIZ!
THIS IS A BIG PROJECT NEEDING TO BE HANDLED AS SWIFTLY AS POSSIBLE--
--BELIEVE IT OR NOT, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE MORE MEN!
NOW HEAR THIS-- NOW HEAR THIS-- ALL AVAILABLE WARRIORS REPORT TO THE TRAMWAY STATION--
--ON THE DOUBLE!!

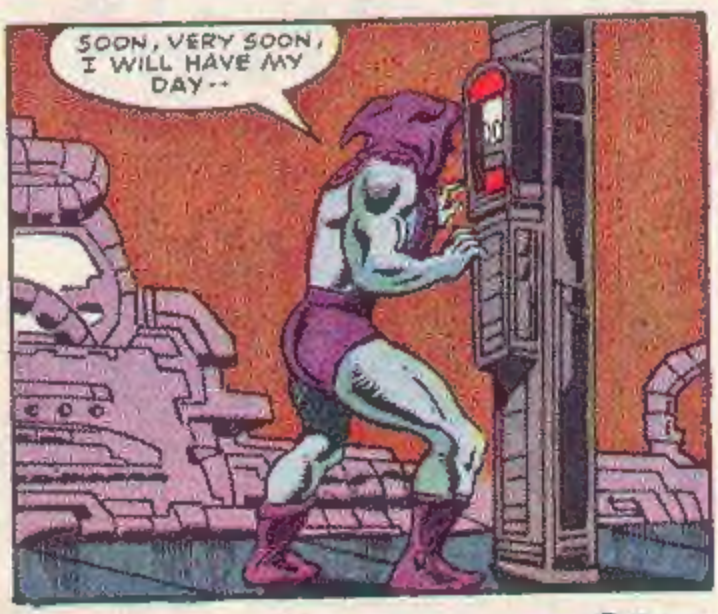
WHAT IS IT, MAN-AT-ARMS? WE CAME AS FAST AS WE COULD!
YEAH, AND IF I HAD MY WISHES WE WOULD GO JUST AS FAST! SOMETHING TELLS ME THIS IS GOING TO BE TROUBLE!
JUST IGNORE THESE TWO CLOWNS FOR A SECOND, MAN-AT-ARMS, AND TELL US WHY YOU CALLED.
NO BIG DEAL ADAM... AT LEAST NOT YET. THERE'S EITHER BEEN A MALFUNCTION ALONG THE TRAMWAY--OR FOUL PLAY.
I NEEDED SOME MORE MEN TO HELP ME INVESTIGATE AND REPAIR.
WE ALSO NEED SOMEONE TO STAY HERE AND GUARD ETERNIA.
OOOOOO! THAT'S THE JOB FOR ME! NO KIDDIN'!
SORRY, CRINGER. BUT WE ACTUALLY NEED SOMEONE HERE WHO WON'T BE HIDING UNDER THE BED IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG.
AHEM... THEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT YOUR PALACE GUARD RIGHT HERE!
I'LL WATCH OVER ETERNIA!
TUT-TUT... I WON'T TAKE "NO" FOR AN ANSWER! NOW GIT!
WELLLL, ALL RIGHT--


..JUST DON'T MAKE ME SORRY I LEFT YOU IN CHARGE.
WHAT DO YOU..? HEY..!

HMMPHH!! HOW DO YOU LIKE THOSE GUYS? YOU'D GET THE IMPRESSION I COULDN'T TIE MY OWN SHOES IF NOT FOR..
WAIT A MINUTE ..I DON'T WEAR SHOES!


MEANWHILE, IN ANOTHER PART OF ETERNIA KNOWN AS SNAKE MOUNTAIN, THE EVIL SKELETOR GLOATS...
SUCCESS! MY PLAN IS WORKING FLAWLESSLY!
THOSE SAPPY HEROES ARE FALLING RIGHT INTO MY HANDS!


WITH MY NEW SNAKE-O-SCOPE I CAN SEE THEM AS CLEAR AS A BELL.
AND THEY'RE ALL RACING AWAY FROM ETERNIA AT A MILE A MINUTE! ALL OF THEM!

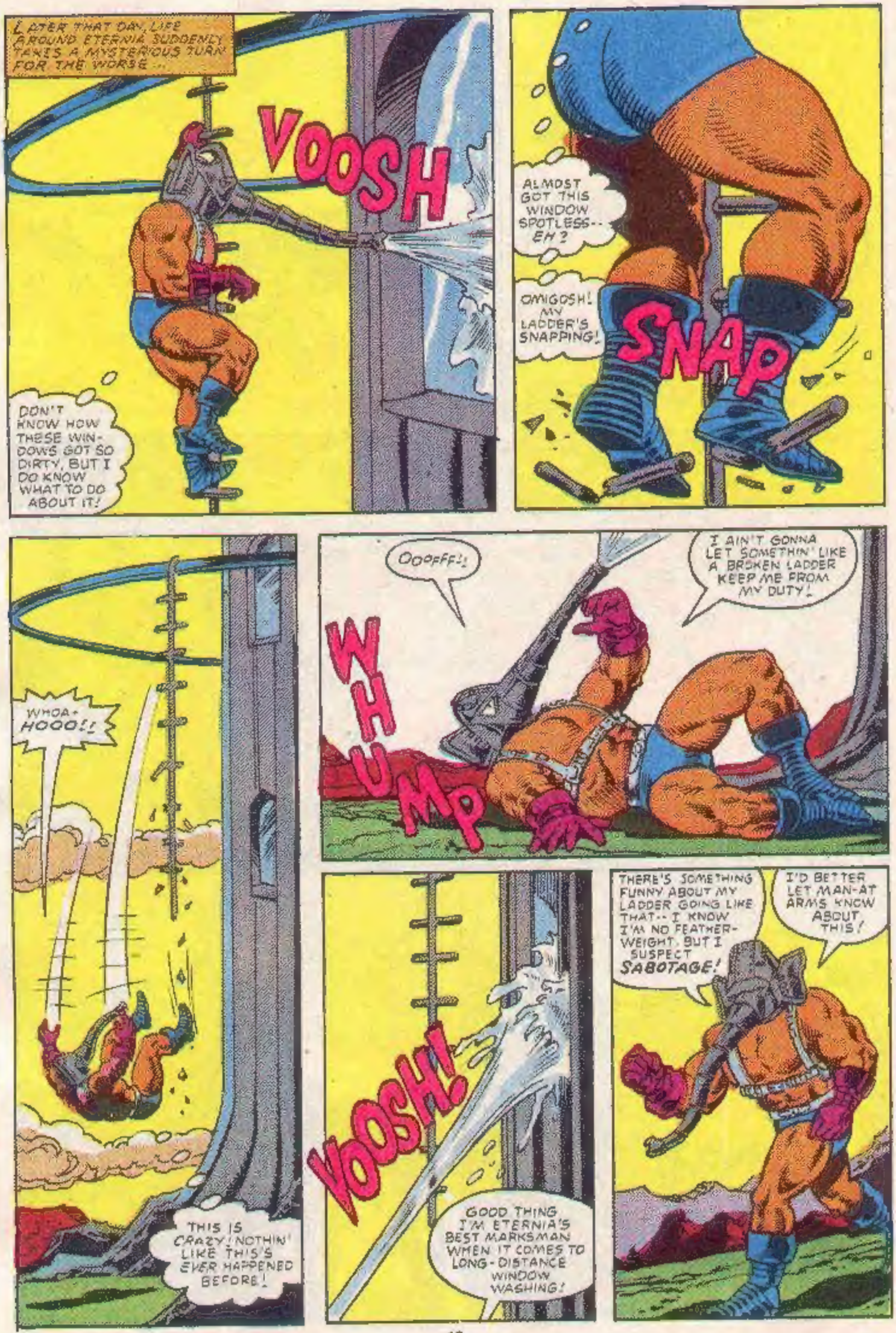

SOON, VERY SOON, I WILL HAVE MY DAY..

..AND I SHALL RULE ETERNIA!! HAHAHAHAHA!!

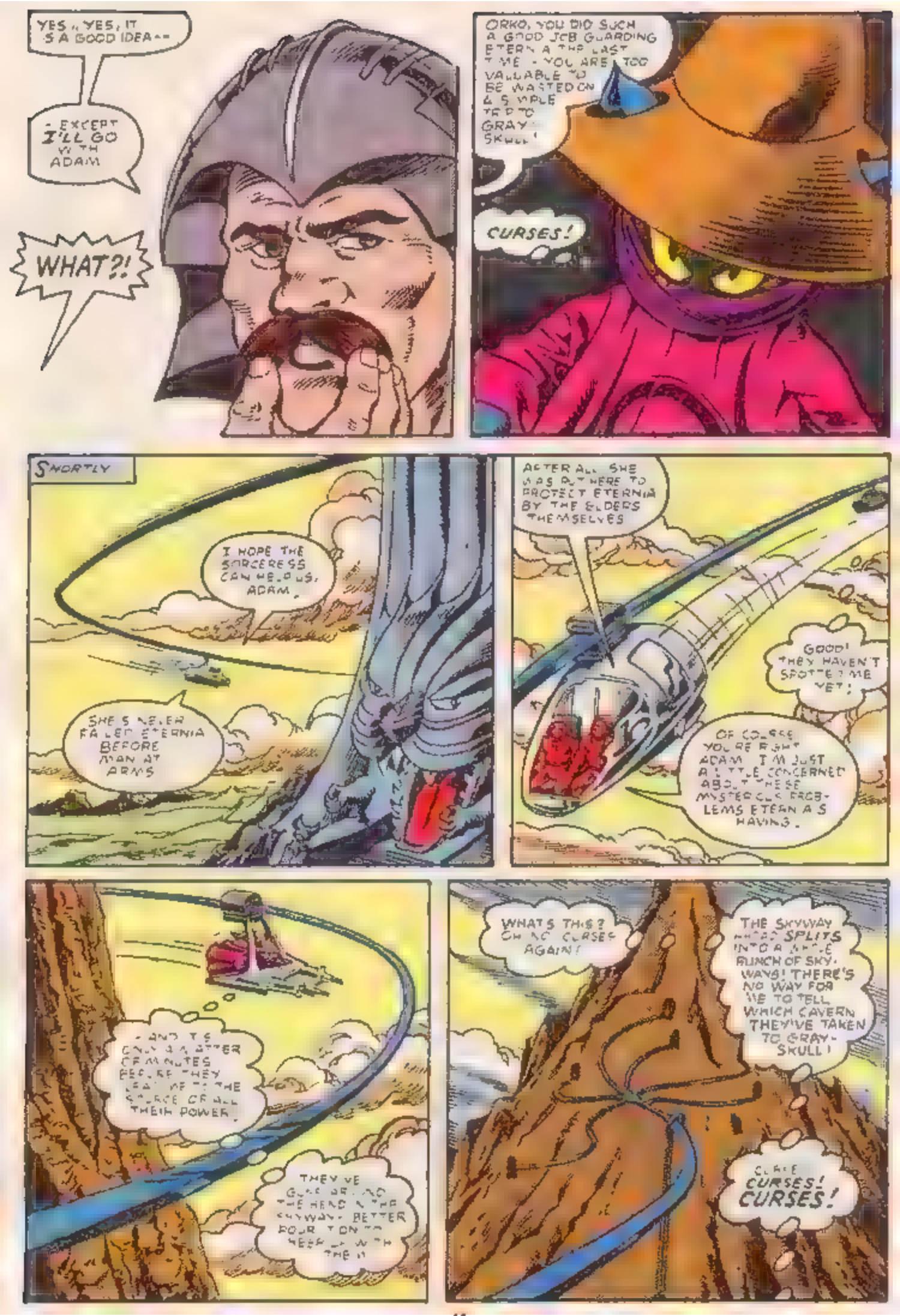
AND ONCE I RULE ETERNIA I'LL BE ABLE TO DISCOVER THE SECRETS OF THE ELDERS OF ETERNIA--
--AND I'LL BE THE MOST POWERFUL MAN IN THE UNIVERSE!
SO IT'S OFF, IN MY LATEST, AND GREATEST WEAPON OF ALL--
--THE FRIGHT FIGHTER!
SO, FROM MY HORRIFIC SNAKE MOUNTAIN I SOAR OVER ETERNIA AND CERTAIN VICTORY! HA HA HA HA HA!!
AH, ME... I DON'T KNOW WHAT ALL THE HUB-BUB WAS ABOUT-- THIS GUARDING BUSINESS IS A BREEZE!
BOOM
WAAAAHHH!! WHAT WAS THAT?!
BABOOM
CHOOM
KROOM
THIS IS FAR TOO EASY!

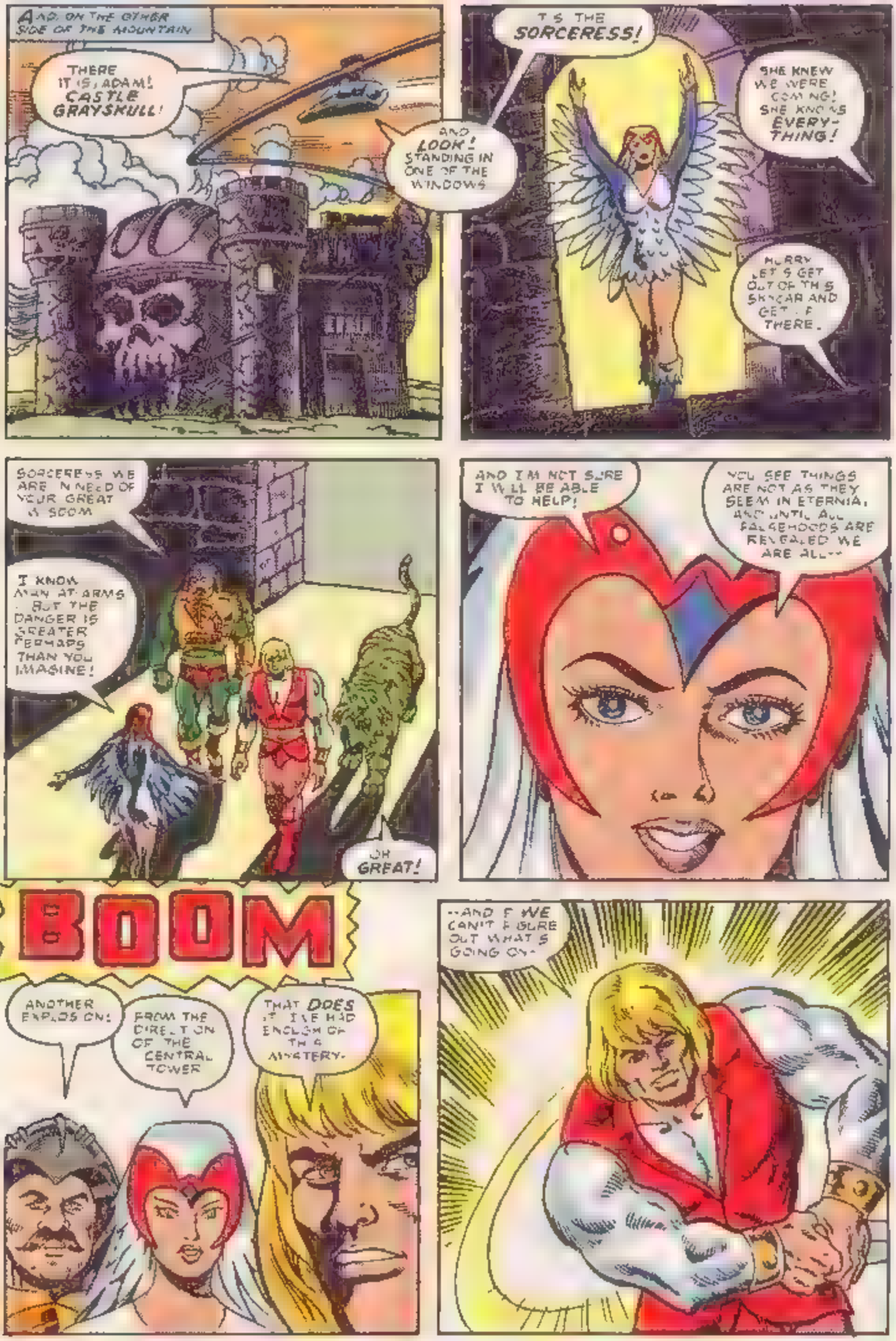
THE TOWER'S BEING ATTACKED!
WHAT SHOULD I DO??
MAN-AT-ARMS LEFT ME IN CHARGE--
--I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!
WAIT--I KNOW--I'LL DO WHAT I ALWAYS DO AT TIMES LIKE THIS!
HEELLLLP!
BOOM!
TREMENDOUS! THIS IS GOING BETTER THAN I HAD PLANNED.
ALL OF ETERNIA'S HEROES ARE AWAY--LEAVING THEIR STRONGHOLD RIPE FOR THE PICKING! HAHAHA!
WHAT AM I DOING--? I'M ORKO--COURT MAGICIAN OF ETERNIA!
I CAN SEND A MYSTIC SPELL TO THE ATTACK--UH-OH!
IT'S SKELETOR WHO'S ATTACKING ETERNIA--AND HE'S A MUCH BETTER MAGICIAN THAN I AM!

WHY THE HECK DID I HAVE TO VOLUNTEER FOR THIS JOB?
BOY, DO I WISH I COULD CHANGE PLACES WITH SOMEONE RIGHT NOW!
GOTCHA, YOU LITTLE PURPLE PEST!
NO! LEMME GO! LEMME GO!!
UM...ER... FORCES FROM ANOTHER REALM, COME AND HELP -- UM...ER... GET ME OUTTA THIS MESS!
HA! YOUR RHYMING MAGICS SEEM TO HAVE FLED WITH YOUR COURAGE! BUT YOU DID SAY SOMETHING THAT GAVE ME AN IDEA...
FIRST I WILL GET YOU OUT OF THE WAY BY SEALING YOU WITHIN THIS STATUE'S BASE...
UM...COME DOWN FROM BEYOND, POWERS THAT BE, AND, ER...HIT THIS VILLAIN UPSIDE HIS HEAD -- GOLLY! THAT DIDN'T RHYME EITHER!
...AND THEN I WILL MAGICALLY TAKE ON YOUR REPULSIVE FORM! HAHA!
MAGIC FLOW FROM INSIDE MY HANDS AND CHANGE ME INTO THE PURPLE MAN!
I AM HE! THE TRUSTED PURPLE MAGICIAN! AND IN THIS FORM I SHALL BE ABLE TO GAIN HE-MAN'S CONFIDENCE!
AND THEN WHEN HE LEAST EXPECTS IT--
--I SHALL DESTROY HE-MAN AND HIS FRIENDS FROM ABOVE!
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!!


LATER THAT DAY, LIFE AROUND ETERNIA SUDDENLY TAKES A MYSTERIOUS TURN FOR THE WORSE...
VOOSH
DON'T KNOW HOW THESE WINDOWS GOT SO DIRTY, BUT I DO KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT!
ALMOST GOT THIS WINDOW SPOTLESS-- EH?
OMIGOSH! MY LADDER'S SNAPPING!
SNAP
WHOA-HOOO!!
THIS IS CRAZY! NOTHIN' LIKE THIS'S EVER HAPPENED BEFORE!
OOOFFF!!
I AIN'T GONNA LET SOMETHIN' LIKE A BROKEN LADDER KEEP ME FROM MY DUTY!
WHUMP
VOOSH!
GOOD THING I'M ETERNIA'S BEST MARKSMAN WHEN IT COMES TO LONG-DISTANCE WINDOW WASHING!
THERE'S SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT MY LADDER GOING LIKE THAT-- I KNOW I'M NO FEATHERWEIGHT, BUT I SUSPECT SABOTAGE!
I'D BETTER LET MAN-AT-ARMS KNOW ABOUT THIS!

AND ELSEWHERE...
ALL RIGHT, ROKKON. YOU'VE ONLY GOT TO GET ONE MORE BULL'S EYE FOR A NEW ETERNIAN RECORD.
ON YOUR MARK GET SET TRANSFORM AND GO!
THIS SHOULD BE A REGULAR PIECE OF SLATE STONDAR.. WATCH THIS.
BULL'S EYE! I DID IT AGA
SHRRIIP!
AARRGHH!!
KONK
ARE YOU OKAY LITTLE BUDDY?
I THINK SO
THAT THE WAR KILLCHER GOT OF ME
AND SO
AND MY HEAD STILL HURTS
YEAH AND MY REAR END TOO.
HAD A SLIGHT MISHAP MAN AT ARMS.
ME TOO SOMETHING FUNNY'S GOING ON ARC NO ETERNIA
EXCUSE ME MAN AT ARMS BUT I THINK I MIGHT HAVE A SUGGESTION
MAYBE PRINCE ADAM AND I COULD GO TO CASTLE GRAYSKULL AND CHECK ON THE SORCERESS IF SHE KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON
GOOD IDEA
AND WHILE I'M THERE I CAN STEAL THE SECRETS OF GRAYSKULL AND TAKE OVER ALL ETERNIA

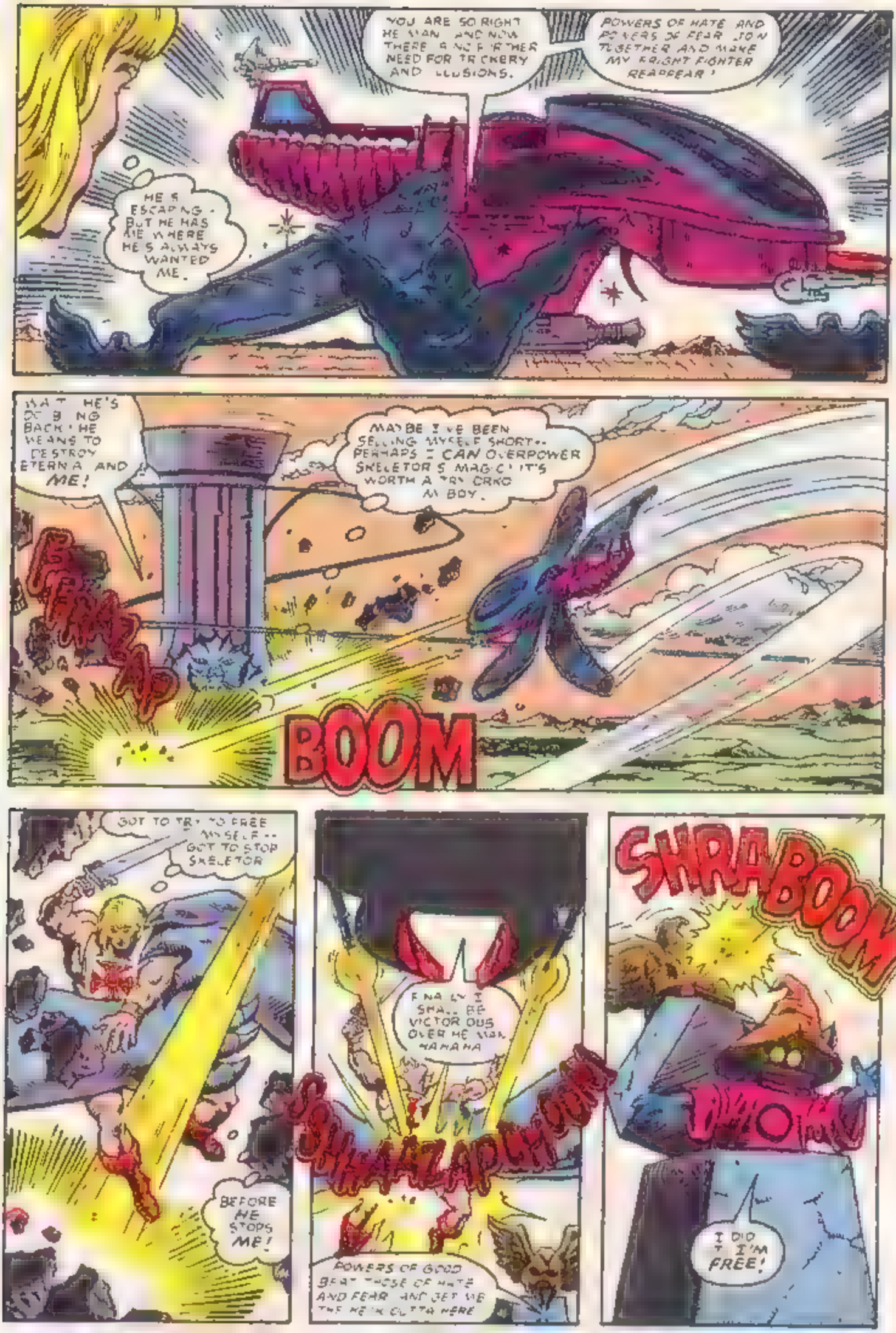

YES ... YES, IT'S A GOOD IDEA--
- EXCEPT I'LL GO WITH ADAM
WHAT?!
ORKO, YOU DID SUCH A GOOD JOB GUARDING ETERNIA THE LAST TIME - YOU ARE TOO VALUABLE TO BE WASTED ON A SIMPLE TRIP TO GRAYSKULL!
CURSES!
SHORTLY
I HOPE THE SORCERESS CAN HELP US, ADAM.
SHE'S NEVER FAILED ETERNIA BEFORE MAN AT ARMS
AFTER ALL, SHE WAS PUT HERE TO PROTECT ETERNIA BY THE ELDERS THEMSELVES
GOOD! THEY HAVEN'T SPOTTED ME YET!
OF COURSE YOU'RE RIGHT ADAM. I'M JUST A LITTLE CONCERNED ABOUT THESE MYSTERIOUS PROBLEMS ETERNIA IS HAVING.
- AND IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF MINUTES BEFORE THEY LEAVE THE SOURCE OF ALL THEIR POWER.
THEY'VE GONE BEYOND THE HEAD OF THE SKYWAY! BETTER POUR TON TO KEEP UP WITH THEM!
WHAT'S THIS? OH NO! CURSES AGAIN!
THE SKYWAY HERE SPLITS INTO A BUNCH OF SKYWAYS! THERE'S NO WAY FOR US TO TELL WHICH CAVERN THEY'VE TAKEN TO GRAYSKULL!
CURSES! CURSES!

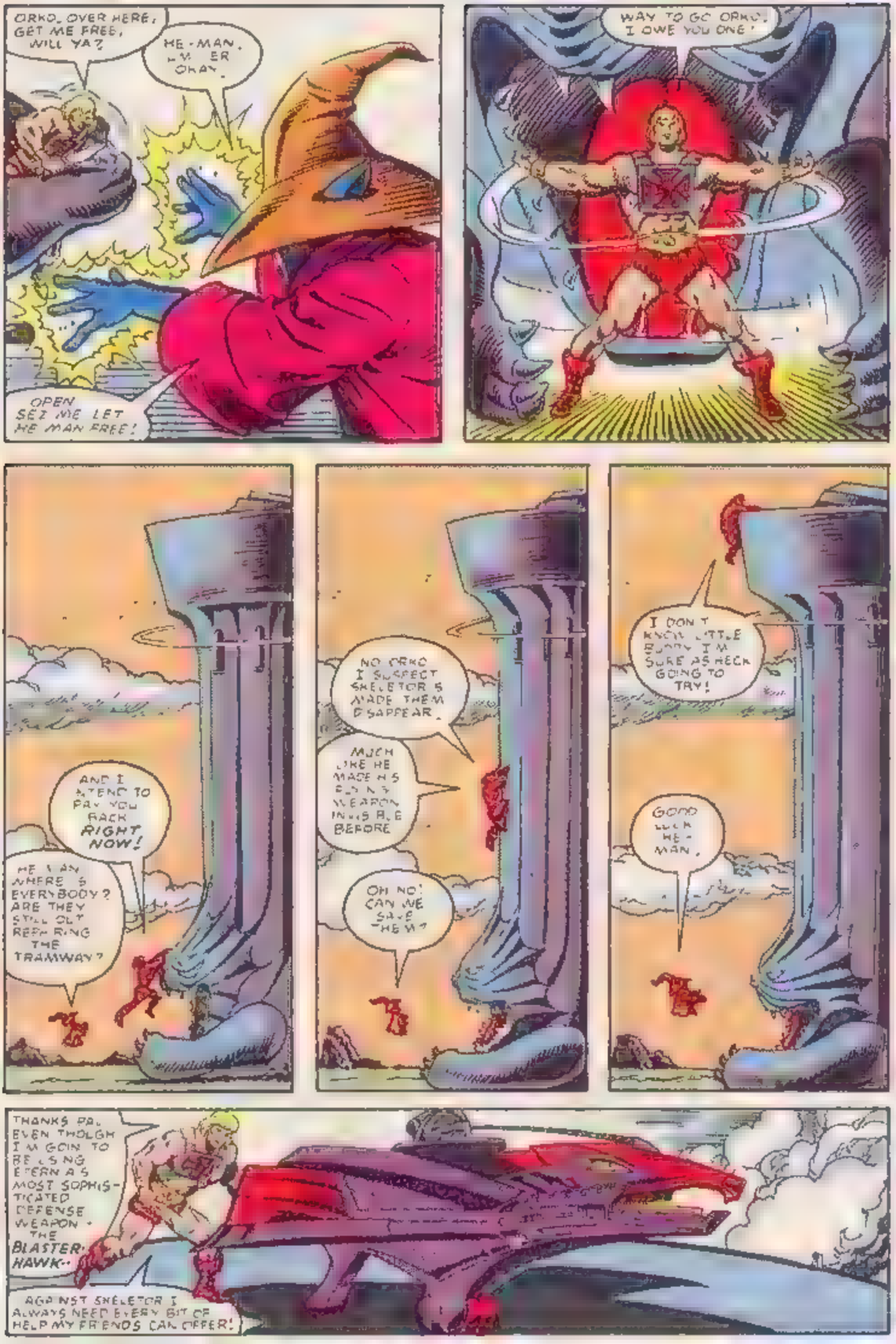

AND ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN
THERE IT IS, ADAM! CASTLE GRAYSKULL!
AND LOOK! STANDING IN ONE OF THE WINDOWS
IT IS THE SORCERESS!
SHE KNEW WE WERE COMING! SHE KNOWS EVERYTHING!
HURRY LET'S GET OUT OF THIS SKYCAR AND GET THERE.
SORCERESS WE ARE IN NEED OF YOUR GREAT WISDOM
I KNOW MAN AT ARMS. BUT THE DANGER IS GREATER PERHAPS THAN YOU IMAGINE!
OH GREAT!
AND I'M NOT SURE I WILL BE ABLE TO HELP!
YOU SEE THINGS ARE NOT AS THEY SEEM IN ETERNIA, AND UNTIL ALL FALSEHOODS ARE REVEALED WE ARE ALL--
BOOM
ANOTHER EXPLOSION!
FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE CENTRAL TOWER
THAT DOES IF I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS MYSTERY.
--AND IF WE CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT'S GOING ON-

HE MAN
ARMED
--I HAVE THE POWER!
ROAR!

GOOD LUCK HE MAN MAY THE EYES OF THE ELDERS WATCH OVER YOU THIS DAY
HURRY MAN AT ARMS I FEAR WE HAVE ALREADY WASTED TOO MUCH TIME
RIGHT!
WE ARE NEARLY BACK TO ETERNIA AND I PRAY WE ARE NOT TOO LA
BY THE ELDERS THEMSELVES MAN AT ARMS DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE
I DO HE MAN - WE WERE TRICKED INTO LEAVING THE PALACE OF ETERNIA -
- AND WHO-EVER D DIT IS NOW ATTACKING THE PALACE
KROOM!
BUT HOW? WHERE IS EVERY-BODY -
ALL I CAN SEE IS ORKO OUT IN FRONT OF THE TOWER AND IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S PANICKING -
HE MAN WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?-
THERE S TIME TO WAIT FOR LAND-ING CRAFT OR CONS LAE HE NEEDS HE S AGAINST WHATEVER S ATTACKING.
LET S GO BATTLECAT-- GERONIMO!
HE-MAN THANK GLORNESS YOU RE HERE THE TERR B.E

SOMETH NG WE RD IS GOING ON OUT THERE -- I KEEP FEEL NG THE GROUND SHAKE !
MAYBE THE OTHERS HAVE RETURNED AND SKELETOR S HURTING THEM I WISH I COULD BREAK HIS SPELL AND ESCAPE TH S TRAP I M N !
ORKO WHAT S GOING ON AROUND HERE ?
I DON T KNOW! 'T M GHT BE SKELETOR!
RRRR
EASY THERE BATTLE-CAT HMMMM, HE'S ACTING LIKE HE'S NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE, ORKO.
WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF BATTLECAT'S REACTION, ORKO ?
GEE, HE-MAN - I JUST CAN'T FIGURE T OUT.
WHAT'S THIS ? ORKO, REMOVING HIS HAT ??
ORKO NEVER TAKES HIS HAT OFF. EITHER SOMETHING S SER OUSLY WRONG WITH HIM OR --
--YOU RE NOT ORKO!!
WHAT-- ?? AARRG6!!
RUN BATTLECAT! THE TOWER'S PAWS HAVE ME TRAPPED!
YOU ARE TOO SMART FOR YOUR OWN GOOD, HE-MAN!
ORKO-- CHANG NG INTO-- SKELETOR!
THE SORCERESS WAS RIGHT-- THINGS ARE NOT WHAT THEY SEEMED!


YOU ARE SO RIGHT HE MAN AND NOW THERE S NO F RTHER NEED FOR TR CKERY AND LLUSIONS.
POWERS OF HATE AND FEARS JOIN TOGETHER AND MAKE MY KNIGHT FIGHTER REAPPEAR !
HE S ESCAPING . BUT HE HAS ME WHERE HE S ALWAYS WANTED ME .
WAIT HE'S DOING BACK ! HE MEANS TO DESTROY ETERNIA AND ME!
MAYBE I VE BEEN SELLING MYSELF SHORT.. PERHAPS I CAN OVERPOWER SKELETOR S MAGIC ! IT'S WORTH A TRY CRKO M BOY .
KRAP
BOOM
GOT TO TRY TO FREE MYSELF .. GOT TO STOP SKELETOR
BEFORE HE STOPS ME!
FINALLY I SHALL BE VICTORIOUS OVER HE MAN HAHAHA
SHAAZAP
POWERS OF GOOD BEAT THOSE OF HATE AND FEAR AND GET ME THE HE LL OUTTA HERE
SHRABOOM
WHOOSH
I DID IT I'M FREE!


ORKO, OVER HERE, GET ME FREE, WILL YA?
HE-MAN, I'M OKAY.
OPEN SEZ ME LET HE MAN FREE!
WAY TO GO ORKO, I OWE YOU ONE!
AND I INTEND TO PAY YOU BACK RIGHT NOW!
HE MAN WHERE'S EVERYBODY? ARE THEY STILL OUT REPAIRING THE TRAMWAY?
NO ORKO I SUSPECT SKELETOR'S MADE THEM DISAPPEAR.
MUCH LIKE HE MADE HIS FLYING WEAPON INVISIBLE BEFORE
OH NO! CAN WE SAVE THEM?
I DON'T KNOW LITTLE BUDDY I'M SURE AS HECK GOING TO TRY!
GOOD LUCK HE-MAN.
THANKS PAL EVEN THOUGH I'M GOING TO BE USING ETERNIA'S MOST SOPHISTICATED DEFENSE WEAPON - THE BLASTER-HAWK..
AGAINST SKELETOR I ALWAYS NEED EVERY BIT OF HELP MY FRIENDS CAN OFFER!

TOUCHÉ, SKELETOR! MY BLASTERHAWK'S STUN-DISKS SHOULD MAKE SHORT WORK OF YOUR FIGHTER AND YOU!

BBBZZZZ

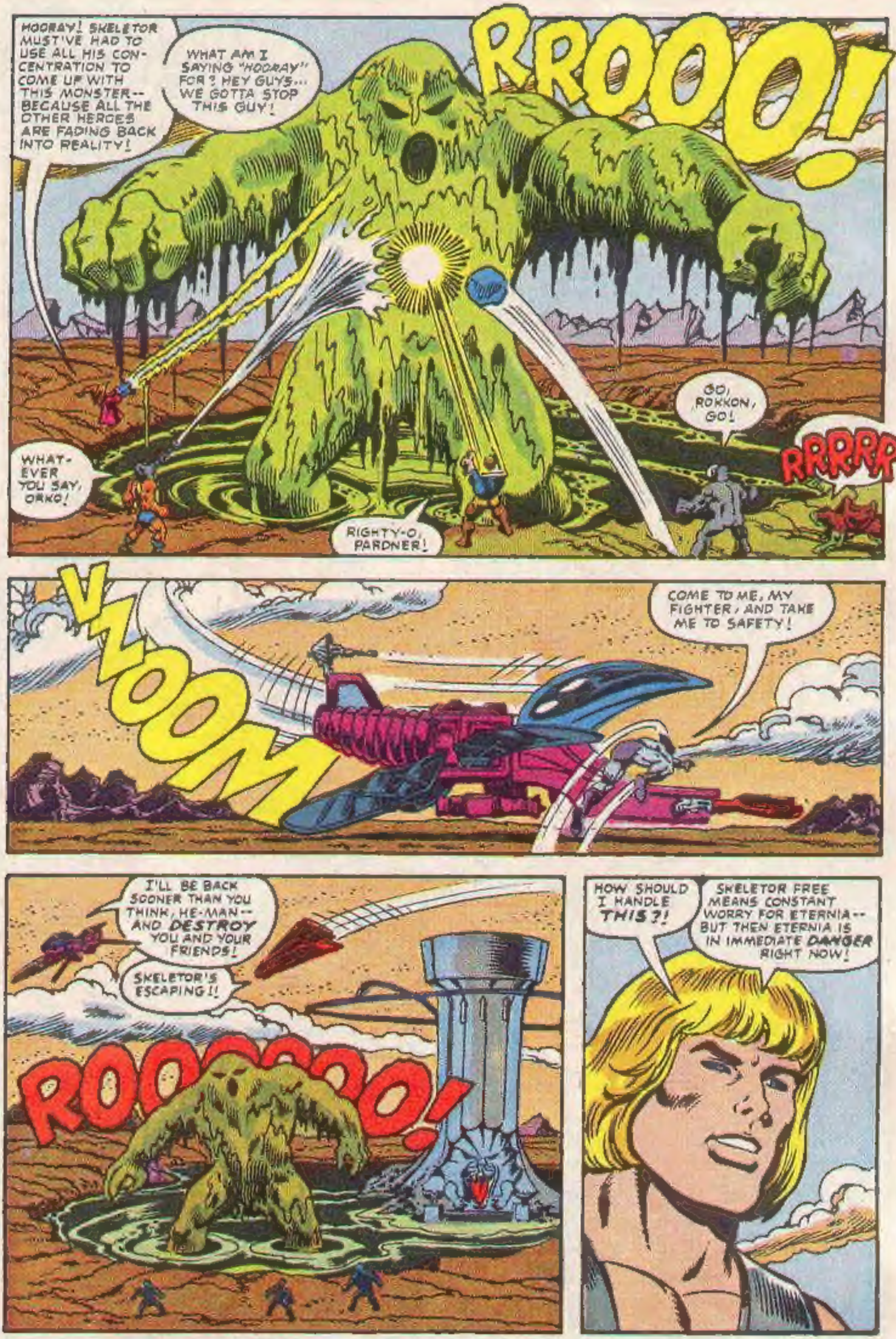
CHOOF!

KRAM!

CHOOF!

HE-MAN HAS FREED HIMSELF SOMEHOW! BUT HE STILL WON'T BE ABLE TO-- ARRRRGGH!!

BULL'S EYE! ONE MORE DIRECT HIT SHOULD DO IT FOR ME!
SUCCESS!
BOK
SHOOF
NOOOOO!
AHHHH!!
BALOOP
JAWLROO!
I MUST RETALIATE! BUT MY STRENGTH IS WEAKENING! I MUST CHANNEL ALL OF MY POWER INTO ONE LAST DITCH EFFORT TO DEFEAT HE-MAN!
RISE UP FROM THE SLIME! CREATURE OF FEAR, FIGHT THEM ALL SO I CAN GET OUT OF HERE!


HOORAY! SKELETOR MUST'VE HAD TO USE ALL HIS CONCENTRATION TO COME UP WITH THIS MONSTER-- BECAUSE ALL THE OTHER HEROES ARE FADING BACK INTO REALITY!
WHAT AM I SAYING "HOORAY" FOR? HEY GUYS... WE GOTTA STOP THIS GUY!
RROOO!
WHATEVER YOU SAY, ORKO!
RIGHTY-O, PARDNER!
GO, ROKKON, GO!
RRRRRP
WOOM
COME TO ME, MY FIGHTER, AND TAKE ME TO SAFETY!
I'LL BE BACK SOONER THAN YOU THINK, HE-MAN-- AND DESTROY YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS!
SKELETOR'S ESCAPING!!
ROOOOO!
HOW SHOULD I HANDLE THIS?!
SKELETOR FREE MEANS CONSTANT WORRY FOR ETERNIA-- BUT THEN ETERNIA IS IN IMMEDIATE DANGER RIGHT NOW!

IT SEEMS I HAVE LITTLE CHOICE!
ROARGH!
SPLOOSH!!

HE DID IT!
YOU SOUND SURPRISED-- DOESN'T HE-MAN ALWAYS DO IT?
HEY! LOOK OUT!
BLOBS OF THAT SLIME MONSTER ARE FALLING! STAND CLEAR!

HOLD IT YOU GUYS... I'M THE ONE WHO FREED HE-MAN AND GOT THE BALL ROLLING!
HE'S RIGHT, FELLOWS, BUT THEN AGAIN, CRKO--

--NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF YOU HADN'T ACTED SO CONFIDENT THIS MORNING!
WELL...YEAH, I GUESS SO...BUT... EVERYBODY DOES THAT ONE TIME ...OR ANOTHER DON'T THEY... HUH?
HA
HAHA
HAHA
THE END